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The following is an excerpt from the MSC Executive Committee Record of Action of the meeting held October 31, 1962, 6:00 P.M.

"Para, 5. The President directed all government officials talking to Russian officials to discuss only Cuba and the removal of the offensive weapons. If the Russians raise other matters, they should be told that we are prepared to listen now and talk later, but first we must conclude the Cuban crisis."

Mr. U. Alexis Johnson wants you to know that the President said that if and when the Cuben orisis is successfully overcome, he would then be willing to go shead with the Air Fransport Agreement with the Soviet Union. Would you keep this in wind and when the time seems appropriate bring this matter to the Daputy Under Secretary's attention for further action.

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